that portion (as a whole) of the period of Federal control during which it operated its own railroad as compared with its average period, as held in Construction of the Word 'Deficit' (66 I. C. C. 765, 774).

"(j) That the Commission is hereby authorized and directed to reopen all claims heretofore filed by carriers in compliance with its orders or regulations issued under this section and to ascertain and certify to the Secretary of the Treasury such amounts, if any, as may be payable to any such carriers under said section 204 as hereby amended: Provided, That the aggregate of the railway operating income of any carrier during that part of the period of Federal control during which such carrier was not operated by the Director General of Railroads plus the amount certified by the Commission under this Act shall not for said period be at a rate in excess of 53/4 per centum per annum of the value of the carrier's property determined by the Commission under section 19a of the Interstate Commerce Act: Provided further, That no claim certified under this subsection shall be for an amount in excess of \$150,000.

"(k) This Act shall take effect as of March 1, 1920, but shall not be construed as extending the time for filing claims as limited by paragraph (h) of section 204, as amended by the Act of March 4,

1927."

Approved, January 7, 1941.

[CHAPTER 939]

AN ACT

To permit the relinquishment or modification of certain restrictions upon the use of lands along the Natchez Trace Parkway in the village of French Camp, Mississippi.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, is hereby authorized to relinquish or modify certain restrictions upon the use of privately owned lands in the village of French Camp along the Natchez Trace Parkway, which restrictions have been imposed thereon by the scenic easement deed dated May 19, 1938, which is recorded in book 24, pages 333-336, of the Record of Deeds in the office of the clerk of the chancery court of Choctaw County, Mississippi, said lands being situated in section 31, township 17 north, range 9 east, Choctaw County, Mississippi.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to execute such instruments of conveyance as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act. The cost of recording such instruments shall be paid out of any

funds available for the Natchez Trace Parkway.

Approved, January 7, 1941.

[CHAPTER 941]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To extend the date for filing a report by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Thomas Jefferson.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 of the joint resolution approved September 24, 1940 (Public Resolution Numbered 100, Seventy-sixth Congress), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. The Commission shall, on or before the 15th day of February 1941, make a report to the Congress in order that enabling

Approved, January 9, 1941.

legislation may be enacted."

Reopening of filed claims, etc.

Provisos. Aggregate of railway operating income, etc., limitation.

37 Stat. 701. 49 U. S. C. § 19a. Limitation amount of certified

Effective date. Filing of claims.

44 Stat. 1450. 49 U.S. C. § 73 (h).

January 7, 1941 [H. R. 10712] [Public, No. 894]

Natchez Trace Parkway. Use of privately owned lands in village of French Camp.

Execution of instruments of conveyance. Cost of recording.

January 9, 1941 [H. J. Res. 623] [Pub. Res., No. 111]

Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Thomas Jefferson. Ante, p. 960.

Report to Congress.